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Shipping Management

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 140 S. Lake Ave., Suite 312 Pasadena, CA 91101 June 21, 2006

Commissioner:

Attached are the following:

- 1. Amendment and Response to Office Action dated March 22, 2006 (in which only existing Claims are amended; no new Claims are added -- resulting in **no** additional claim fee); and,
- 2. Return post card

It is respectfully submitted that the attached Amendment and Response to the Office Action dated March 22, 2006 is timely filed within the three-month period set by the Examiner because it is filed before the expiration of June 22, 2006. Even so, the Commissioner is hereby authorized, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3), to treat any concurrent or future reply or correspondence for the above-identified application, requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17, including any required extension fees, which may be required during the **pendency** of this application to Deposit Account No. 501574 and to treat this authorization as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply or correspondence for this

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application requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted, KHORSANDI PATENT LAW GROUP, ALC

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

140 S. Lake Ave., Suite 312 Pasadena, CA 91101-4710 June 21, 2006

Commissioner:

This Amendment and Response is filed In reply to the Office Action, dated March 22, 2006, regarding the above-identified application. This Amendment and Response is timely filed within the three-month period set by the Examiner because it is filed before the expiration of Thursday, June 22, 2006; no Petition for an Extension of Time is needed. Further examination of the application in view of the Amendments and the Response and Remarks below is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Response and Remarks begin on page 41 of this paper.